

COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY ACT14-12. Civil Judicial Enforcement Actions, Including Collection Actions1. **AUTHORITY.**

- a. To request the Attorney General to appear and represent the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in any civil enforcement action and to intervene in any civil enforcement action instituted under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended, including civil judicial collection actions.
- b. To request the Attorney General to decline to prosecute a previously referred civil judicial action or cease prosecution of a previously filed civil enforcement action.

2. **TO WHOM REDELEGATED.** Regional counsel.3. **LIMITATIONS.**

- a. The delegatee must notify the assistant administrator or designee, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, prior to exercising the authority in 1(b) and when exercising the authority in 1(a).
- b. The delegatee must notify the director or designee, Superfund and Emergency Management Division, prior to exercising the authority in 1(b) and when exercising the authority in 1(a).

4. **REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.**

- a. The authorities may be redelegated to the branch chief level, or equivalent, and no further.
- b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.**

- a. Memorandum of Understanding between the Agency and the Department of Justice, June 1977, 42 Fed. Reg. 48942 (1977).
- b. Sections 104, 106, 107, 109, and 122 of CERCLA.
- c. Delegation 14-13C.



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